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An especial invitation has been extended to those nurses who may be, or who are, patients at the Naval or Army Hospitals; they can join the local Post and later, if desired, may be transferred to a Post in their own home town. I think no reader of the JOURNAL needs any explanation of why we chose our name and the No. 1 has been added, so that if other Posts wish to honor the memory of one who truly gave her life in the service of her country, they may do so. It may be interesting, also, to readers of the JOURNAL to know that several of the charter members of Jane A. Delano Post, No. 1, have been cited for bravery and have received medals, not only at the hands of the United States, but at those of the French and British Governments as well. One of the things that is sure to make this organization a success is the fact that there is only one kind of membership and that all members have equal rights in the organization. Rank and gold service chevrons do not count, all are "buddies" and are known in the organization as comrades. Thus it came about that one of the reserve nurses, who has played a very small part, was made Commander of the Jane A. Delano Post, No. 1, and such prominent women as Julia C. Stimson and Mrs. Lenah S. Higbee were nominated for the post of Vice-Commander, Miss Stimson winning the nomination by only a few votes. Anne K. Harkins, of the Navy Nurse Corps, was chosen Post Adjutant, and it is the desire of the Post Commander to have one of the Navy nurses as Post Finance Officer. If, in any way, Jane A. Delano Post, No. 1, can be helpful to nurses wishing to form posts in other states a letter addressed to the Adjutant or to the Commander of the Post, will receive a prompt reply.

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THE VALUE OF NEWS ITEMS

Dear Editor: Every time I take up a new copy of our AMERICAN JOURNAL, I look to see just what has been reported in my own state, and am usually disappointed; for seldom is there a line to say whether anyone there is alive or not. Now I know that our nurses, our public health work, and all our other organizations are very much alive, but no one seems to think about writing. I do not know whether it is extreme modesty on the part of our state association, but I do know that it is not so important for us, perhaps, when we are at home, but when some of us are away,—for example, when we were overseas last year and a copy of the JOURNAL was delayed in reaching us, the first thing we did when we received it, was to see what they were doing in our particular little corner of the United States, so here are a few items enclosed. There are many counties in this state that have done more work than ours, but they do not say a word about it. I hope they will come forward and tell us through our own nurses' JOURNAL, what they are doing, because I believe it will compare well with what the other states are doing.

Minnesota T. E.